SUBJECT No. 496.

Special concession to be shown to the raiyats of the Harihar Sub-Taluk owing to the failure of Mungar crops.

Mr. Srinivasa Rao, Taluk Member, Harihar.

Summary of discussion.—Mungar crop is the crop chiefly depended upon in the Harihar Sub-Taluk for the supply of food-grains for people and fodder for cattle. Owing to the failure of timely rains for the sowing of Mungar crops this year, they have totally failed Outturn of crop last year also was scanty and limited, the yield being estimated only at four to six anna crop. In consideration of the distress the raiyats of the sub-taluk are thus subjected to, both on their own account and on account of their cattle, special concessions should be shown to them for their relief.

Reply of Government.—*Vide* Subject No. 75.

SUBJECT No. 497.

Improvement of the Hosakere tank at Chitaldrug.

Messrs. Vedanta Iyengar and Dastagir Saib, Municipal Members, Chitaldrug.

Summary of discussion.—The Hosakere tank near fresh water Honda at Chitaldrug was constructed long ago at a cost of Rs. 60,000. But the tank dries up soon owing to percolation. It is requested therefore that necessary repairs should be executed to it for the benefit of the people and cattle and for cultivation of lands under it.

Reply of Government.—Will be referred to the Public Works Department for early investigation.

SUBJECT No. 498.

Diversion of Gudihalla into the Tavandi tank in the Hiriyur Taluk.

Mr. Yale Channabasappa, Taluk Member, Hiriyur.

Summary of discussion.—The large tank at Tavandi in the Hiriyur Taluk yields a considerable revenue to Government. It has no means of supply and consequently does not fill. The construction of Kumbarkatte tank across its main feeder has altogether cut off its supply. The gardens under the tank are drying away and the raiyats are sustaining loss on that account. In the year 1884-85 a project was prepared by the Public Works Department for the restoration of the tank and the improvement of water-supply by the diversion into it of Gudihalla or Gowdankatte halla. Only the restoration of the tank was carried out without the proposed diversion, which, it is proposed, may be undertaken and accomplished.

Reply of Government.—A feeder at a very heavy cost is not practicable. Investigation is being made.

SUBJECT No. 499.

Re the proposed breach of the Krishnambudhi tank.

Mr. Yale Channabasappa, Taluk Member, Hiriyur.

Summary of discussion.—On the ground that the Krishnambudhi tank by its proximity to the new town of Hiriyur renders it unhealthy, and on the ground that the lands thereunder could be irrigated by the Marikanave Channel, a proposal to breach this tank and to construct another near Metikurki village is under correspondence. The existence of this tank is in no way injurious to the health of the new town as it has already been abandoned completely. A sum of Rs. 330 is realized from the lands under this tank, which has been very useful for cultivation, as it receives its supply even from ordinary rains. The proposed Metikurki tank will not be of much advantage as it has no means of sufficient water-supply and the cost

of construction is comparatively high. Moreover, there are no lands below it fit for wet cultivation, they being of black cotton soil. It is therefore proposed that the Krishnambudhi tank need not be breached, but may be kept in good order, so that the water which it receives independently of the Marikanave channel, may be utilized for cultivation during rainy season and the channel water stored in it by means of a pipe during hot season.

Reply of Government.—Before any further action is taken, the Revenue Commissioner will be asked to give a definite opinion in the matter.

SUBJECT No. 500.

Improvement of water-supply to Hirekere tank by the diversion of the water of Andanurhalla.

Mr. Venkataramaiya, Taluk Member, Holalkere.

Summary of discussion.—The water-supply to the Hirekere tank at Holalkere may be improved by the diversion of the water of the Andanurhalla By doing so, an additional extent of 1,000 acres of wet land will be brought under holding. Owing to the want of supply of water to the tank, a large number of valuable gardens under it are decaying, and the wet cultivation has entirely stopped. Consequently, the raiyats are sustaining heavy loss. The above request is being made for the last ten or twelve years without any avail. Requests favorable orders of Government on the subject.

Reply of Government.—The project which has been investigated by the Executive Engineer is stated to cost Rs. 60,000. The Deputy Commissioner will be asked to see the rates and send up a report. The Chief Engineer also will be asked to send up a report after personal inspection.

SUBJECT No. 501.

Re-diversion of Kudarekanavehalla to the Budihal-Hirekere tank.

Mr. Khasim Saib, Taluk Member, Hosdurga.

Summary of discussion.—Budihal-Hirekere tank is yielding an annual income of Rs. 1,000 to Government from the wet and garden lands under it. This tank has had no supply for the last twelve years, as the course of the Kudarekanavehalla, which is the main feeder to this tank, has been otherwise diverted. The raiyats holding lands under the tank are put to great loss in consequence. It is prayed that the said halla may kindly be diverted to this tank.

Reply of Government.—It is reported that there is no way of feeding the Budihal tank. The Deputy Commissioner will kindly inspect this and send a detailed report regarding the levy of wet assessment on the Atchakat lands.

SUBJECT No. 502.

Construction of tank near Devarbelkere across Sulekerehalla.

Mr. Srinivasa Rao, Taluk Member, Harihar.

Summary of discussion.—The project for the construction of a tank near Devarbelkere across Sulekerehalla may be ordered to be put in hand immediately as represented in previous years for providing a means of subsistence for a large number of coolies and workmen who are suffering from want of livelihood owing to failure of Mungar rains